

SONNET XCV,



Hou bright beam-spreading LOVE'S
thrice happy
Star!

Th* Arcadian Shepherd's ASTROPHEL'S
clear guide ! Thou that, on swift-winged
Pegasus, dost ride, AURORA'S harbinger !
Surpassing, far ! AURORA carried in her rosy car.
Bright Planet! Teller of clear evening-tide !
Star of all stars ! Fair favoured night's chief
pride ! Which day, from night; and night, from
day dost bar ! Thou that hast worlds of hearts,
with thine eye's glance, To thy love's pleasing
bondage, taken thrall! Behold (where Graces,
in love's circles dance!) Of two clear stars,
outsparkling Planets all! For stars, her
beauty's arrow-bearers be ! Then be the
subjects ; and superior, She!

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HE Sun in Pisces; VENUS did intend
To seek sick FLORA; whose soil (since
by Kind TITAN to th'Antipodes, his
beams resigned) No pleasant flowers, to
welcome her did send. To whom, for need,
PARTHENOPHE did lend
At Nature's suit, rich Heliochrise, which
shined In her fair hair ; white lilies which
combined With her high-smoothed brows, which
bent, love bend* Violets from eyes, sweet
blushing eglantine
From her clear cheeks, and from her lips, sweet
roses. Thus VENUS' Paradise was made divine
Which such, as Nature in my Lady closes.
Then, since with her, LOVE'S Queen was
glorified! Why was not my sweet Lady deified ?